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OPTICAL WAVEGUIDE FIBER

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Group Art Unit: 2874
Examiner: George Wang

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Applicants hereby submit the proposed Preliminary Amendment for consideration and entry into the above-referenced application.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the title of the application to "RADIALLY VARYING AND AZIMUTHALLY ASYMMETRIC OPTICAL WAVEGUIDE FIBER".

REMARKS

This communication verifies that claims 1-29 as originally filed on March 2, 2001, are the claims for which examination is requested. An apparent discrepancy in the transmittal letter filed on the same date incorrectly listed the total number of claims. The transmittal letter should have specified 29 total claims and 6 independent claims. Enclosed for the convenience of the Examiner are originally filed claims 1-29 attached hereto.

Applicant hereby authorizes the Office to charge any necessary fee or surcharge which may be required to the deposit account of the undersigned firm of attorneys, Deposit Account 03-3325.

Please direct any questions or comments to Joseph M. Homa at (607) 974-9061.

Respectfully submitted,

DATE: November 6, 2002


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